IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH
AT HYDERABAD
(Special Original Jurisdiction)
FRIDAY, THE SECOND DAY OF JULY
TWO THOUSAND AND FOUR
PRESENT
**THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE N.V. RAMANA**
**WRIT PETITION NO : 7527 of 2004**

Between:

A.P. Advocates Mutually Aided Co-op. Society Ltd, Civil Court Premises, Vijayawada,
rep. by its Chairman Sri Chekuri Sripathi Rao S/o Late Satyanarayana, age 48 years, R/o Vijayawada,Krishna District.

**..... PETITIONER**

AND

1 Government of Andhra Pradesh, Registration & Stamps Department, rep. by its Principal Secretary,
Secretariat Building, Hyderabad.
2 The Commissioner and Inspector General of Registration And Stamps, Hyderabad.
3 District Registrar, Registration and Stamps Department, Vijayawada, Krishna District.

**.RESPONDENT(S)**

Petition under Article 226 of the constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the Affidavit filed herein the High Court will be pleased to issue appropriate writ, order or direction, more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the respondents in not considering the request of the petitioner society for grant of stamp vendor licence in its favour as arbitrary , illegal and ultra vires of their powers and direct the second respondent to order for grant of stamp vendor licence in favour of the petitioner society for selling judicial and non judicial stamps

**For the Petitioner:MR.RAMA RAO GANTA - ADVOCATE**

**For the Respondents : GP FOR REVENUE**

**The Court at the stage of admission made the Following :**

**ORDER:**

The present writ petition is filed questioning the action of the respondents in not considering the request of the petitioner society for grant of stamp vendor licence.

Learned Government Pleader on instructions submitted that pursuant to filing of the present writ petition, the second respondent has taken a decision in the matter and decided to grant licence to the petitioner society and produced a copy of letter dated 24-6-2004 issued by the Commissioner and Inspector General of Registration and Stamps. The operative portion of the said letter reads as under:

> "Subsequently a decision was taken in the meeting held on 24-5-2003 in the chambers of I.G. that it would be better if C.F. labels and Notary stamps are supplied through Advocates Cooperative Societies/Bar Associations by issuing S.V.Licences to them and also to stop supply of the above category of stamp to the other licenced stamp vendors (copy of minutes enclosed).
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> In view of the above it is requested to appraise the Hon'ble High Court, that there is no objection to grant licence to the A.P.Advocate Mutually Aided Cooperative Society to vend stamps."

Heard learned counsel for petitioner and learned Government Pleader for Revenue. Both counsel agreed for disposal of the writ petition with the following direction:

In the circumstances, the writ petition is disposed of directing the third respondent to consider the application of the petitioner dated 11-7-2002 for grant of licence to sell judicial and non-judicial stamps

and pass appropriate orders in accordance with law, in the light of the decision taken in the meeting dated 24-5-2003. No costs.

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N.V.RAMANA,J

02-07-2004

To

1..The Principal Secretary,
Government of Andhra Pradesh, Registration & Stamps Department,
Secretariat Building, Hyderabad.
2.. The Commissioner and Inspector General of Registration And Stamps,
Hyderabad.
3.. The District Registrar,
Registration and Stamps Department, Vijayawada,
Krishna District.
4.. 2CCs to G.P. for Revenue, High Court of A.P., Hyderabad
5..2CD copies

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